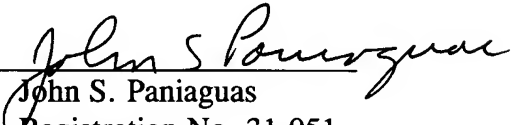


**REMARKS**

The Examiner is kindly requested to enter this Preliminary Amendment prior to examining this case on the merits.

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